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Federal Opportunities

Adoption Opportunities. The Department of Health and Human Services announces funds to provide support for demonstration projects that facilitate the elimination of barriers to adoption and provide permanent loving homes for children who would benefit from adoption, particularly children with special needs. Eligible applicants: States, local government entities, public and private non-profit licensed child welfare and adoption agencies, community-based non-profit adoption organizations that currently work with children in the public child welfare system. The deadline is June 15, 2001. Awards vary in size based on the specific priorities; the average award will be approximately \$150,000. For further information, contact ACYF Operations Center, 1815 N. Fort Myer Drive, Ste., 300, Arlington, VA 22209 1-800 351-2293.

Child Abuse and Neglect. The Department of Health and Human Services announces funds to support knowledge-building research and service demonstration projects designed to assist and identify and treat child abuse and neglect. Eligible applicants: State, local government, non-profit, community based non-profit organizations and universities with experience in the areas of child welfare child maltreatment. The deadline is June 15, 2001. Awards vary in size based on the specific priorities; the average award will be approximately \$150,000. For further information, contact ACYF Operations Center at: 1815 N. Fort Myer Drive, Ste., 300, Arlington, VA 22209 1-800 351-2293.

Abandoned Infants. *The Department of Health and Human Services* announces funds for to prevent the abandonment in hospitals of infants and young

children, particularly those exposed to a dangerous drug and those with the human immunodeficiency virus or those perinatally exposed to the virus. Eligible applicants: Public agencies and non-profit organizations and institutions of higher education. The deadline is June 15, 2001. Grant amounts will range up to \$450,000. For further information, contact ACYF Operations, 1815 N. Fort Myer Drive, Ste., 300, Arlington, VA 22209 1-800-351-2293.

Head Start Family Worker Training and

Credentialing. The Department of Health and Human Services announces funds to support entities to design and /or adapt competency-based training programs and curricula suitable for the training and credentialing of Head Start Family Worker Staff. Eligible applicants: Academic institutions, non-profit or for-profit organizations. The deadline is July 2, 2001. Approximately \$1 million is available total; up to \$100,000 per project. For further information, contact the Head Start Discretionary Grant Support Team at 1-800-351-2293 or hse@lcgnet.com.

Early Learning Opportunities Act Discretionary Grants. The Department of Health and Human Services announces funds for early learning programs likely to produce sustained gains in early learning. Applicants for these grants must be designated by a local government entity, Regional Corporation or "Local Council." The deadline is June 14, 2001. Individual awards will be between \$250,000 and \$1,000,000. The expected average is \$700,000. For further information, contact the Child Care Bureau at (202) 690-6243 or CCB@lcgnet.com.

Head Start-higher Education Hispanic/Latino



Service Partnerships. *The Department of Health and Human Services* announces funds to support Head Start-Higher Education Hispanic/Latino Service Partnerships. Institutions of higher education are eligible. The deadline is June 15, 2001. Approximately \$500,000 is available for up to 4 awards. For further information, contact ACYF Operations 1-800-351-2293.

Rates. The Department of Transportation announces funding for innovative projects to increase seat belt use rates. Only States agencies through their Governors and Representatives for

Projects to Support Increased Seat Belt Use

through their Governors and Representatives for Highway Safety are eligible. The deadline is June 29, 2001. Individual grants range from \$204,000 to \$2.9 million. For further information, contact Janice Hartwill-Miller at (202) 366-2684 or jhartwill-miller@nhtsa.dot.gov.

Buckle Up America Campaign. The Department of Transportation announces a cooperative agreement program to solicit support for the BUA campaign. State Associations of Chief of Police are the only eligible applicants. The deadline is June 1, 2001. Approximately \$150,000 is available to fund 3 awards. For further information eligible applicants can contact Sandy Richardson 202 366-6283 or srichardson@nhtsa.dot.gov.

Sectoral Employment Demonstration. The Department of Labor announces funds to test the feasibility of the workforce development system to plan and undertake local/regional initiatives involving a particular industry sector in order to increase access to employment for designated target groups. Eligible applicants: Local Workforce Investment Boards. The deadline is May 18, 2001. Approximately \$3.8 million is available for up to 35 awards. Contact B. Jai Johnson at (202) 693-2879. Also see http://www.doleta.gov.

H-1B Technical Skills and Training Program.

The Department of Labor announces funds for skill training programs for unemployed and employed workers Local Workforce Investment Boards. The deadline is June 1, 2001. Approximate total of previous grants \$54 million to fund 22 awards. For further information eligible applicants can contact Le Phan (202) 693-2879. Also see http://www.doleta.gov.

District Opportunities

Technology Literacy Challenge Program/Round II. The District of Columbia Public Schools (DCPS) announces funds to further implement the District's statewide plan for the integration of technology into classroom instruction. Funds will be granted to school districts or local education agencies in which a majority of children are Title I eligible. Individual District of Columbia Public Schools are not eligible to apply. Previous award recipients from Round I are eligible to apply, however, the applicant must show evidence of need to support existing program through expansion and/or enhancement. Approximately \$2.25 million in grant funds will be awarded. Grant funds can be used for: applications of technology to support the school reform effort; acquisition of hardware and software; professional development; educational services for adults and families. The deadline for submission is June 18, 2001. Applications can be obtained from 441 4th Street, NW, 400 South, Washington, D.C., 20001. For additional information please contact the Office of Research and Analysis (ORA) at 202-727-7775. Also see http://www.cfo.dc.gov/services/grant/funding grants /index.shtm.

Grants for the Arts. The DC Commission on the Arts and Humanities announces approximately \$1 million to support District of Columbia artists and arts and community organizations. Deadlines range from May 17 to June 7, 2001. For more information, contact (202) 724-5613 or visit http://dcarts.dc.gov.

Reading Excellence Act Program Grant. *DC Public Schools* will be awarding \$4.2 for <u>Local</u> <u>Reading Improvement</u> and approximately \$400,000 will be awarded for <u>Tutoring Assistance</u>. The deadline is May 31, 2001.

Adult Education and Family Literacy. The University of the District of Columbia State Education Agency announces funds to make adult education and literacy activities. The deadline is May 30, 2001. Maximum grant award is \$50,000.

Applications for the above two opportunities can be obtained from the Office of Research and Analysis at 441 4th Street (Judiciary Square), NW, 400 South, Washington, DC, 20001. Contact the Office of



Research and Analysis at (202) 727-7775. Also see http://www.cfo.washingtondc.gov/services/grant/funding_grants/index.shtm.

Foundation Opportunities

Verizon Foundation E-Grants. *The Verizon Foundation* now offers grants to 501(c)(3) nonprofit organizations that <u>do not have Internet access</u>. Beginning immediately, nonprofits can request an egrant for \$240 toward Internet access from the vendor of their choice. Organizations with annual budgets under \$500,000 will be given priority. Visit http://foundation.verizon.com/06003c.html. To request a faxable application form send an E-mail to verizon.foundation@verizon.com, send a fax requesting an application form: 212/398-4362, or call 1-800-360-7955.

Reducing Disparities in Tobacco Control. The American Legacy Foundation announces grant funds for capacity-building, innovative projects, and applied research. Applicants must address tobaccorelated health disparities and support tobacco cessation and prevention efforts or reduction of second-hand smoke exposure for the priority populations. Local government agencies and nonprofit organizations are eligible. The deadline for letters of intent is June 15, 2001. Letters of intent must be submitted electronically. Capacitybuilding grants will range from \$75,000 to \$100,000 for one year. Innovative and applied research grants will range from \$75,000 to \$200,000 per year for up to three years. For more information, visit http://www.americanlegacy.org/grants/grants.html. To discuss non-electronic application options, call (202) 454-5579.

Resources & Announcements

District of Columbia Public Charter School Credit Enhancement Fund Meeting. *The Credit Enhancement Fund* is hosting a public meeting with regard to the final rulemaking. The meeting will take place at the Office of Banking and Financial Institutions, 1400 L Street NW, Suite 400, Washington, DC 2005. For more information, call (202) 727-1582.

Basic Steps to Start a Nonprofit. The Mayor's Office of Partnerships and Grants Development will host a capacity building clinic for local community-based and faith-based organizations as well as emerging nonprofits. The topic is the basic steps required to apply for the Internal Revenue Service and District of Columbia's 501 (C) 3 Not-For-Profit organizational status. The clinic will be held from 9 A.M. to 12 P.M. on May 17, 2001 at Allen Chapel AME Church located 2498 Alabama Ave. S.E. Interested parties should call 202-727-8900 for more information and to register. Please note that the clinic is offered to local organizations that provide or plan to provide services to District of Columbia residents.

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